



JOHN CHIANG
California State Controller

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TO: MANDATED COST PROGRAM STAKEHOLDERS
RE: SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE MANDATED COST PROGRAM

Within months of taking office as State Controller, it became clear to me that local officials responsible for administering State Mandated Cost Programs face huge hurdles in navigating an extremely complex system. One of the more obvious difficulties is keeping abreast of the numerous requirements and changes in the Mandate process.

To assist Mandate administrators, I have established a website program to share information and provide access to developments concerning Mandated Cost Programs.

In addition, you may want to subscribe to a Listserv to automatically receive timely, comprehensive information regarding Mandated Cost claim receipts, payments, test claims, guidelines and updates. You also will receive related audit reports and Mandate information disseminated by other state agencies.

To subscribe or unsubscribe to the Mandated Cost Program Listserv, please visit: <http://www.sco.ca.gov/ard/local/locreim/listserv/index.shtml>. Questions about the Listserv should be directed by email to LRSDAR@sco.ca.gov, or to Ginny Brummels, Division of Accounting and Reporting, Local Reimbursements Section, (916) 324-0256.

It is my intent to make the State Controller's Office helpful to local officials who have been struggling with state-imposed mandates and regulations. The website program and Listserv are the first of many steps I will take to assist you and your needs. My staff and I look forward to building a very positive relationship with you and your respective offices.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:
JOHN CHIANG
California State Controller